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Programmatically Creating	§
Graphical Program Code in	§
a Graphical Program	§
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Dear Sir:

Please enter the following preliminary amendment in the above-captioned case.

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IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 3, line 19 in the "Description of the Related Art" section with the following paragraph:

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The method disclosed in Kodosky et al allows a user to construct a diagram using a block diagram editor. The block diagram may include a plurality of interconnected icons such that the diagram created graphically displays a procedure or method for accomplishing a certain result, such as manipulating one or more input variables and/or producing one or more output variables. In response to the user constructing a diagram or graphical program using the block diagram editor, data structures may be automatically constructed which characterize an execution procedure which corresponds to the displayed procedure. The graphical program may be compiled or interpreted by a computer.